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Pass Christian P&H declared illegal

BY ED LEPOMA
Pass Christian's Port and Harbor Commission is illegal. That means in the eyes of the state it doesn't exist. It's dead, kaput.
That startling news was delivered Tuesday night by city attorney Malcolm Jones with two commissioners sitting in the audience looking aghast and baffled.
Jones explained the news came to light when he was

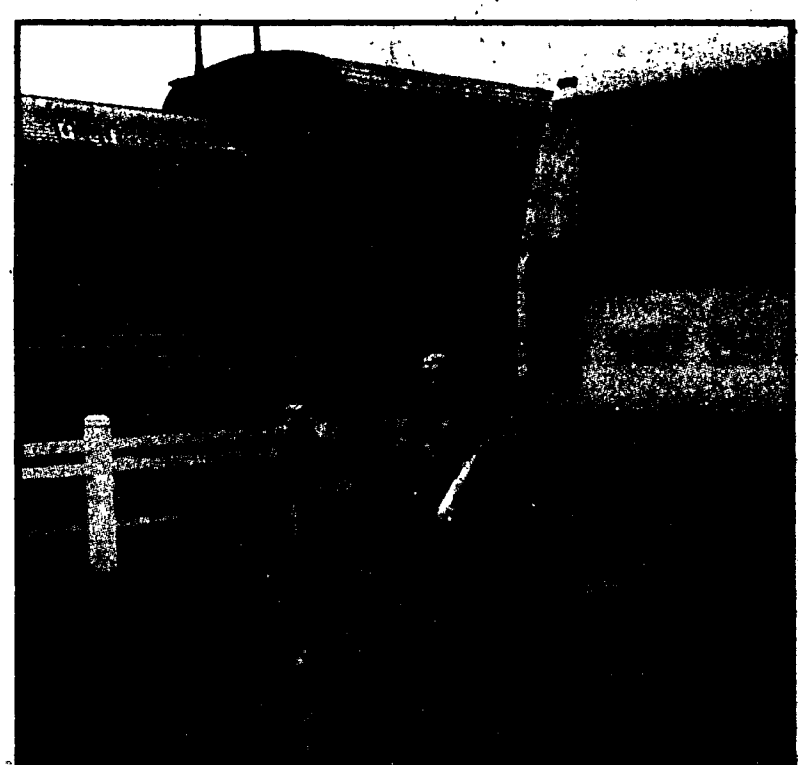
asked by Mayor Billy McDonald to research how vacancies would be filled on the Port and Harbor Commission. On the agenda was a request to resign from the seven-member board by longtime Commissioner Paul Bode, whose term was to expire April 20, 2001.
Jones said he called Alice Wise, as assistant with the state attorney general's office who specializes in municipal affairs.

"She told me she was unaware of any statute that authorized the city to create a Port and Harbor Commission," Jones said.
Jones said the assistant attorney general cited a 1996 opinion that requires the state legislature to pass a local and private bill authorizing a city to create such a Commission.
"Basically, she said the city does not and did not have statutory authority to create

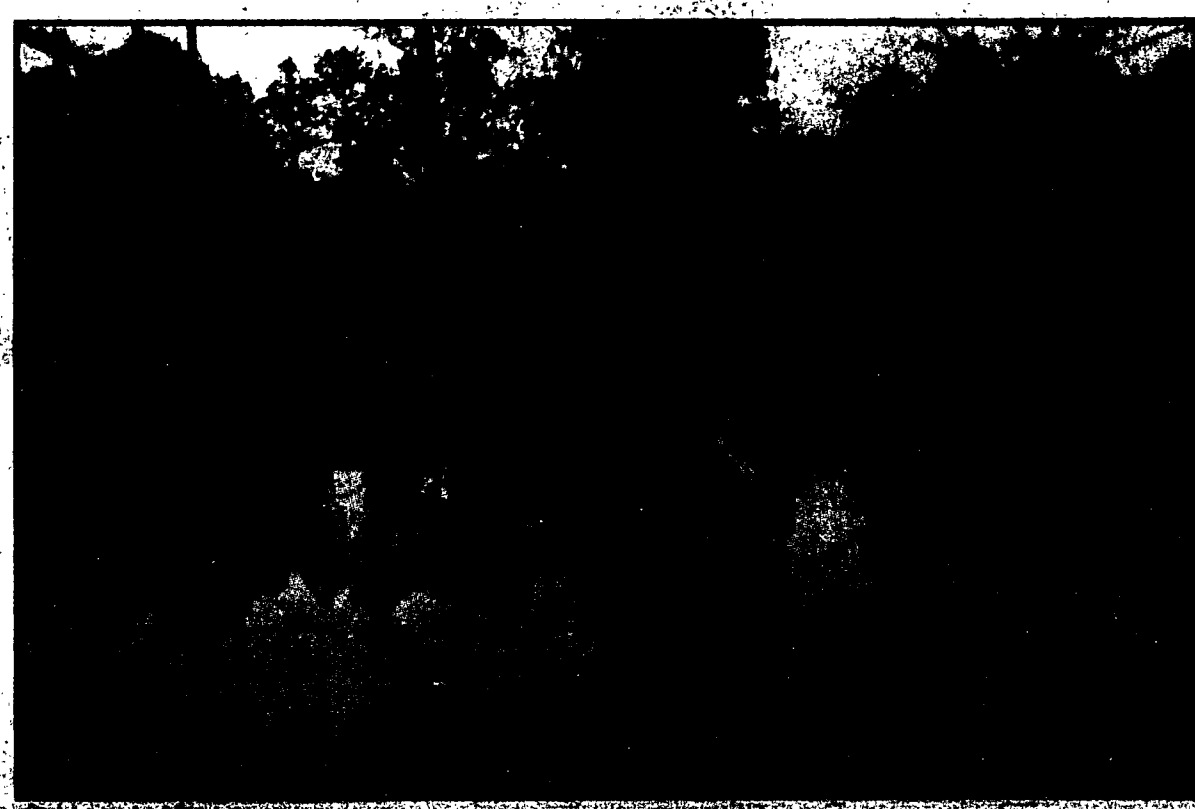
"(An assistant attorney general) told me the city does not and did not have statutory authority to create the Commission..."
Pass city attorney Malcolm Jones
"In the eyes of the state, this board does not exist..."
Mayor Billy McDonald

the Commission," Jones explained.
(Retired) Capt. Roy Stoddard, who chairs the Commission, said the Commission is illegal. — PAGE 14

Rains flood streets, delay Amtrak



Floods delay Amtrak
Nearly 300 Amtrak travelers were forced to take an unexpected bus ride on Wednesday after rain washed out a rail bridge in Grand Bay, Ala. The train, which was traveling to Miami, Fla., was stopped at the depot in Bay St. Louis, travelers transferred to waiting buses. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)



Rains flood streets
Heavy rains that fell early Wednesday morning flooded several area streets, including an area bound by St. Joseph, McLaurin and St. Anthony in Waveland. Nearly four inches of rain fell in the area, and the ditches were already swollen from Monday's heavy rains. The Jourdan River was near its banks in the Jourdan River Shores subdivision. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

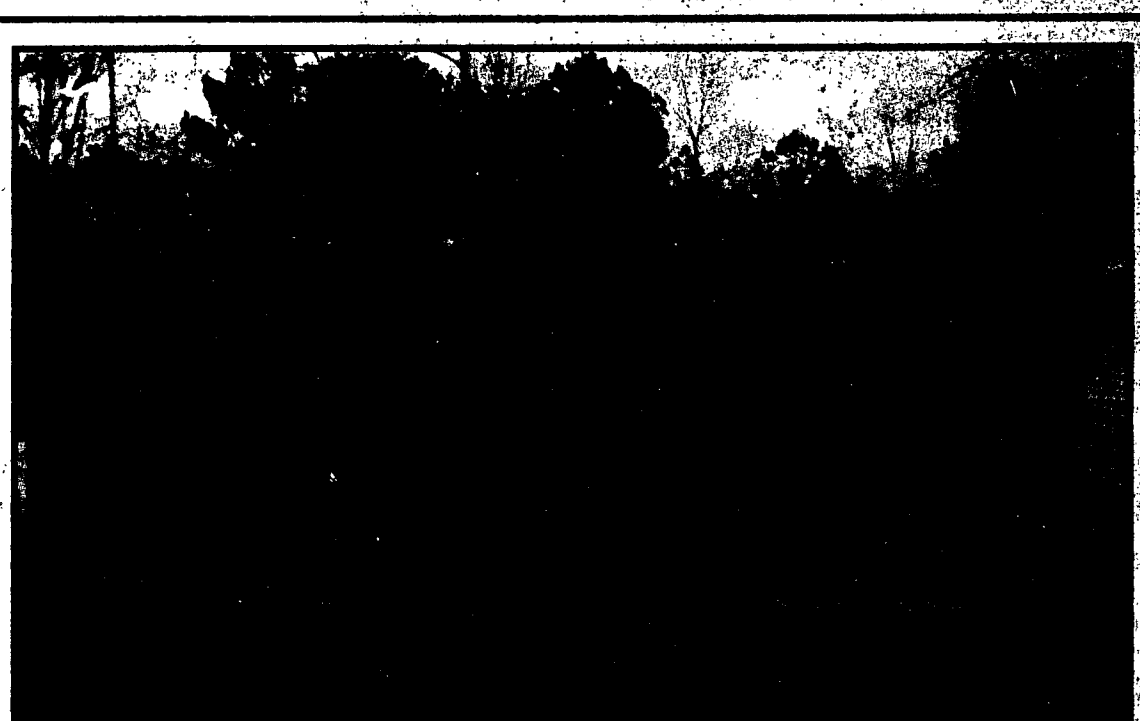
Excellent reputation factor in NASA contract

BY RICHARD MEEK
A reputation for excellence has helped Gulf Coast Fabrication land a \$5.6 million contract from NASA.
Gulf Coast Fabrication, a company of Halter Marine located at Port Bienville Industrial Park, will begin construction of a 260-foot covered barge early in March, with delivery to NASA expected in early 1999, according to Fred May of Gulf Fabrication. The space

"These boys from (Hancock County) are all good people...They are all hard-working people...I would put these 400 workers up against any other 800 in the country..."
Fred May
of Gulf Coast Fabrication

agency will use the barge to transport Space Shuttle External Tanks and other cargo between its Michoud facility (located in New Orleans East), and the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, as well as other NASA facilities.
May said Gulf Coast Fabrication's outstanding craftsmanship on previous NASA projects helped land the barge contract.

CONTRACT—PAGE 14



Milton and Christine Perez will have to go through another series of public hearings before learning whether a modular home they have already placed on a lot they own on Chapman Road can stay there. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

Supervisors to decide fate of family residence

BY ED LEPOMA
A family's fate hangs in the balance after Hancock County supervisors denied a special exception that allowed them to place a modular home on property they own off Chapman Road in Shoreline Estates.
Supervisors remanded the zoning request back to the Planning Commission after county attorney Gerald Gex noted two errors were made in the original application filed by Milton J. Perez and his wife, Christine.
The area in question was zoned R-1 Residential when

the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance was passed last January, and any type of mobile homes are prohibited. More than 100 Garden Isles property owners signed a petition and came to the Planning Commission public hearing in November to oppose the request for a special exception which would allow the trailer. The vote was 4-1 to grant the exception, with Commissioner Skip Marsh voting against.
Garden Isles property owners appealed the decision to supervisors, who held another public hearing on the matter

during their regular monthly meeting Monday.
The property owners asked supervisors to stick by the intent of the zoning law. "We were told when zoning went into effect that no more trailers would be put in this area," said Shirley Seale, president of the Garden Isles Community Association.
She said trailers were in to Chapman and surrounded streets before zoning took effect, and there is no property owner record about

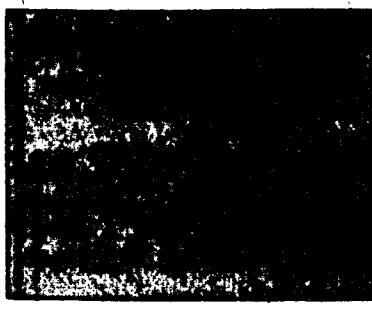
Sheriff to meet with residents

BY RICHARD MEEK
Concerned Pearlinton residents will meet with Hancock County Sheriff Ronnie Peterson tonight to discuss what they perceive is a crime wave gripping the area.
Residents are complaining

"Since the arrests, the burglaries have dwindled to hardly anything...People will begin to see better results...We feel like we will curtail the drug activity in the future..."
Sheriff Ronnie Peterson

of increased burglaries and drug activity in the small community that is tucked away in the southwestern part of the county.
The meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Charles B. Murphy Elementary School.
Peterson admitted a string of burglaries late last year gave residents some cause for concern, but said burglaries have dropped significantly since the burglary ring was busted. Four men were arrested in the burglaries and are awaiting trial.
At least one Pearlinton resident submitted to spending thousands of dollars to install a burglar alarm system during the burglary spree.

FAMILY—PAGE 14



Hoops show
The Hancock County basketball team will play its first game of the season on Saturday night at the Hancock County High School gymnasium. The game will be against the Bay St. Louis team. Tickets are \$5.00. For more information, call Edme McCall at 1041.

Network to come
The Hancock County Network will be established in 2000 to provide a link between Hancock County and the rest of the world. A meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 10, at the Hancock County High School gymnasium. For more information, call Edme McCall at 1041.

Public
The Hancock County Public Library will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 12, at the Hancock County High School gymnasium. For more information, call Edme McCall at 1041.

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BJORN M. W. DAHL

Bjorn M. W. Dahl, 81, of Carriere, died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1998, in Biloxi.

Mr. Dahl was a native of Trondheim, Norway. He was a retired merchant marine for Lykes Brothers Steamship Co. He was a Lutheran.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Hazel M. Dahl.

Survivors include two sons, John Dahl of Anchorage, Alaska, and Charles Dahl of Picayune; four daughters, Solveig D. Hutchison of Carriere, Michelle Mitchell and Charlotte Johnson, both of Picayune, and Linda Ladner of Pass Christian; 16 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted 2 p.m. today at Picayune Funeral Home chapel where friends may call an hour before service time. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery in Diamondhead.

FRANK N. HAMAN

Frank N. Haman, 86, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Jan. 2, 1998, in Diamondhead.

Mr. Haman was a retired chief warrant officer with the military and a native of Pennsylvania. He was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, American Legion Post 139 and DAV Chapter 50, all of Bay St. Louis.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Michael and Louise Haman.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanne Haman of Bay St. Louis; and a son, Michael A. Haman of Laguna Vista, Texas.

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

JOHN MCINERNEY

John "Jack" McInerney, 96, of O'Callaghan's Mills, County Clare, Ireland, died Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1998, in O'Callaghan's Mills.

He is survived by his wife, Mary McInerney; three sons, Sean McInerney and Gerard McInerney of Ireland, and Fr. Henry McInerney, of Kiln; and three brothers, Thomas McInerney, Jim McInerney, and Matt McInerney of Ireland.

A funeral service is scheduled for Saturday at St. Patrick's Church in O'Callaghan's Mills.

EDWARD PARSONS

Edward Jordan Parsons, 84, of Wiggins, died Sunday, Jan. 4, 1998, in Wiggins.

Mr. Parsons was a retired clothing salesman and a World War II Army veteran. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Anna Belle Theriot Parsons of Bay St. Louis.

Visitation was Tuesday evening at Brown Service Funeral Home in Bessemer, Ala.

A graveside service was conducted Wednesday in Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Huey Town, Ala.

CLARENCE P. TENETTE

Clarence P. Tenette, age unavailable, died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1998, in Pass Christian.

Arrangements are incomplete at J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport.

ROBERT VARNADO

Robert E. Varnado, age unavailable, died Sunday, Jan. 4, 1998, in Gulfport.

Arrangements are incomplete at J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport.

Society meets

Hancock County's Historical Society has scheduled its January noon luncheon meeting for Thursday, Jan. 15 at the Kate Lobrano House, 108 Cue Street, Bay St. Louis.

Guest speaker will be Mack Herring, retired public affairs officer and historian for NASA's Stennis Space Center. Herring will talk about his new book dealing with the history of Stennis and its relationship to the community, the state and the space program.

Reservations are \$6. Call 467-4090 before Jan. 13.

Vaccine can prevent illness**healthnotes**

If you have ever had it, you will never forget that feeling... tightness in your chest, the inability to take a deep breath without feeling as if you've been run over by a train. Pneumonia is a deadly lung disease that is caused by many different components, such as bacteria, viruses and mycoplasmas.

"Each year we see an alarming number of pneumonia patients," said Dr. Richard F. Bennett. "Many of these are people at high risk, and pneumonia could possibly have been prevented by the pneumonia vaccine."

Pneumonia affects the lungs in two ways. Lobar pneumonia affects a lobe of the lungs, and bronchial pneumonia can affect patches throughout both lungs. Major types of pneumonia are bacterial pneumonia, viral pneumonia and mycoplasma pneumonia. Other diseases, such as tuberculosis, can cause pneumonia.

People considered at high risk for pneumonia include the elderly, the very young and those with underlying health problems such as chronic obstructive disease (COPD), diabetes mellitus and congestive heart failure.

"Patients with diseases that impair the immune system, like AIDS, or who have other chronic illnesses such as asthma or those who are undergoing cancer therapy or organ transplantation, are particularly vulnerable to developing pneumonia," said Dr. Bennett.

Early treatment with antibiotics can cure bacterial pneumonia and speed recovery from mycoplasma pneumonia and a certain percentage of rickettsia cases. Unfortunately, no effective treatment exists for most types of viral pneumonia. People usually have to heal on their own, said Dr. Bennett.

The pneumonia vaccine is effective in preventing invasion of pneumococcal infections and is covered by Medicare in addition

to some state and private health insurance. Usually just given once, the vaccine should be considered for high-risk adults who received their first shot six years ago or more and for those who have shown to have rapid decline in pneumococcal antibody levels. Children with nephrotic syndrome, asplenia or sickle cell anemia should be re-vaccinated every three to five years if they are younger than 11 years old.

"Always consult with your physician about receiving the pneumonia vaccination," said Dr. Bennett. "Your physician will advise you if taking the vaccination is necessary after evaluating your health."

Viruses cause approximately 50 percent of pneumonia cases and usually are less severe

cases of the illness than the bacterial-caused pneumonia. Viral pneumonia causes symptoms similar to influenza symptoms such as fever, dry cough, headache, muscle pain, weakness and increasing breathlessness.

The onset of bacterial pneumonia can vary from gradual to sudden. In the most severe cases, patients may experience shaking and chills, chattering teeth, severe chest pains, sweats, a cough that produces rust-colored or greenish mucus, increased breathing and pulse rates, and lips or nails that are bluish in color due to lack of oxygen.

For more information about pneumonia, contact the American Lung Association at 1-800-LUNG-USA.

Former leader recovers from stroke**ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Dr. Gilbert Mason, a former president of the Biloxi branch of the NAACP, is recovering from a mild stroke he suffered on Christmas night.

Mason, 68, was hospitalized at Gulf Coast Medical Center in Biloxi, where he was in guarded condition late Monday. His wife, Natalie, said Mason appears to be recovering well in the hospital's critical care unit.

"He's in good spirits," she said. "He's eating. He can get up and move around. He's not paralyzed or anything."

Mason, a physician, is a noted civil rights activist on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. During his 25 years as head of the NAACP, Mason fought to integrate Biloxi schools in the 1960s.

Fund established for victim

A fund has been established at The Peoples Bank to benefit Jeanne-Marie Bell, who was hit by a vehicle while riding her bike on Central Avenue in Waveland Tuesday, Dec. 30.

Bell, an employee of the Hancock County Library System, is currently in serious condition at Charity Trauma Center in New Orleans, and will require extensive medical and physical therapy.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the fund may do so at any branch of The Peoples Bank, or by calling Linda McKay or Mary Perkins at 467-6836, or the Waveland Library Literacy Center at 467-9240.

ST. ANN-ST. JOHN NEWS

Thoughts for meditation:
 I said to the man at the gate of the year, "Give me a light that I may go forth into the unknown." And the man replied, "Put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than a light, safer than a known way."

(A New Year's message from Britain's King George to his embattled people at the beginning of WW II)

If I keep a green bough in my heart, the singing bird will come.

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.

I Peter 3:15
 Don't let yesterday's failures bankrupt today's efforts.

Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed. The Lord works out everything for His own ends.

Proverbs 16:3-4
 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Hebrews 13:8
 Dear Lord, my world has turned upside down; everything is so uncertain and frightening. I am thankful for your unchanging love and constant support.

Amen.

If you live for the next world, you get this one in the deal; but if you live only for this world, you lose them both.

—C. S. Lewis

If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. What good is it for a man to gain the whole world and yet forfeit his very self?

Luke 9:23 & 25

 CYO members meet every Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. in St. Ann's new Catechetical Building.

Public school children attending CCD classes meet every Monday from 3:30-5 p.m. at St. Ann's.

RCIA classes for non-Catholic adults interested and wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith or to join the church are held each Monday, 7-8 p.m. For information, call the rectory at 467-4746.

The parish office and the director of religious education office are also in the new building.

Father Kelly will visit the sick and shut-ins the first week in February (5th and 6th).

Votive candles to St. Jude can be lighted any time of the day at your convenience through the chapel entrance.

Please notify the rectory of the names of anyone who desires to receive Holy Communion, the Sacrament of Reconciliation at home.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available before all masses and any time by appointment. Please call the rectory at 467-4746.

Anyone who keeps the ability to see beauty never grows old.

—Fran Kafka

More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of.

—Alfred Tennyson

Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.

—Sir James M. Barrie

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Supervisors give Pearlington approval for sewerage district

BY ED LEPOMA

Hancock County Supervisors have given Pearlington residents the go-ahead to fund and construct their own water and sewerage system, but warned them of pitfalls that might lie ahead.

At Monday's board meeting, supervisors passed a resolution asking the Hancock County Wastewater District 1 to allow Pearlington to withdraw from its boundaries. The Wastewater board will take up the matter at a meeting scheduled at 8 a.m. Monday, Jan. 12 at the District's office on Longfellow Drive.

Pearlington residents, led by Wayne Atkinson and others, have argued long and hard that it would be too costly for residents in the westernmost portion of Hancock County to link into the current conventional sewerage system.

Atkinson led off the discussion, saying, "A consolidated water and sewer system for the Pearlington Community is essential for the immediate health and welfare of the residents."

Atkinson said a combined sewer-water system would result in cleaner drinking water with regular monitoring. He said cleaning up the pollution of waterways caused by those dumping raw sewage directly into bays and streams and from failing septic tanks would result in overall economic benefits to all the citizens of Pearlington.

He said homeowners would see an increase in property val-

ues, a decrease in fire insurance, and would be spared the expense of installing private wells or their own sewerage treatment plant.

Atkinson brought with him Tom Johnson with the Rural Community Assistance Program, who said he has been working with the Pearlington group for several months.

Johnson said the state Department of Environmental Quality has verified contamination caused by raw sewage being dumped into bays and streams, and water wells that are too shallow also have the potential of being contaminated.

"The area has the potential to grow and develop but without an adequate water-sewerage system it cannot grow," Johnson said.

He said he is working with the group, helping to identify potential sources for federal and state grants, and plans to assist them in the application process.

District 3 Supervisor Lisa Coward told residents she sat on the board when supervisors voted to create a separate water and sewerage district for Diamondhead.

"Once the district is created, we have no jurisdiction over it," said Coward, except to make appointments to the District.

Board President Philip Moran cautioned residents to "be careful what you wish for."

"If this board grants this (request) and a couple of years go by and your rates go up to \$50 or \$60 a month, don't come back to us," said Moran.

Two Wastewater District

Commissioners did not say how they might vote on the request next Monday, but they had questions to ask at the public hearing.

Sid Davis asked county attorney Gerald Gex if the Pearlington District doesn't succeed and goes bankrupt, would Wastewater District 1 have to take them in and absorb any debt.

Gex said once the District is created, it is responsible for any debts or failings.

Johnson said new state laws in effect requires the Public Service Commission to do an extensive financial study to ensure that revenues will cover any debts or operating costs of a new district.

Another Commissioner, Richard Klieniewicz, wanted to know what kind of sewerage collection system was planned, and if there were any cost estimates.

Johnson said initial estimates are that a combined water and sewerage system might cost between \$7 million and \$8 million, but the sewerage collection or treatment process hasn't been determined.

He said the cost to the customer would be determined by what kind of grants are received. "If it's a 45 percent grant, customers would have to pay more than if it's a 75 percent grant," said Johnson.

Atkinson said he was hopeful that customers would pay between \$26 and \$28 a month for water and sewerage, compared to the \$35 monthly charge now assessed by Wastewater District 1.

Rocky Pullman, whose District 2 includes Pearlington, said he supports the residents plans to form their own district, but admitted, "I'm putting my head on the chopping block. If this thing turns to crap, then I'm going to turn to crap."

He said he didn't think the water-sewer service could be provided much lower than the \$35 fee now being assessed by Wastewater District 1, but he felt homeowners would save more in the long run because their insurance rates would drop substantially.

Pullman made the motion to send the enabling resolution to Wastewater District 1, and it was approved unanimously. However, District 1 Supervisor Jeep Ladner said he would oppose the formation of a new district if Pearlington sought to tie into the sewerage treatment plant that is being built to service the Wellman plant under construction and the General Electric expansion taking place at Port Bienville.

Gex said it was his belief that that Pearlington cannot tie into the system. He said it is being built with state bond funds and is for the exclusive use of Port and Harbor tenants.

Supervisors also gave the Kiln Water District permission to expand its boundaries 2.1 miles north in order to provide water to Hancock North Central Elementary School.

Attorney Michael Haas Sr., said the water well serving the elementary school is failing, and the Hancock County School District asked the Kiln District to extend its lines. The School District will pay for the extension, Haas said.

A public hearing is set before supervisors Feb. 2 on the request.

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District corrects bat problem at Gulfview Elementary School

BY RICHARD MEEK

There were no bats in the belly at Gulfview Elementary School in Pearlington, but the nocturnal pests were apparently attempting to set up residence in the school's gym.

The bats entered the gym through unknown parts in late December, and school officials have been working since then to dispose of the uninvited guests. Gulfview principal Lanette Ladner said on Tuesday she believed the school's custodians and employees from Moran Hauling may have finally shooed the bats away.

"I believe it's been all taken care of," Ladner said. "I have no idea where they were getting in."

Ladner said the students were kept out of the gym since the bats were first discovered. However, the school's basketball team is preparing to begin this season, so district officials said a remedy was quickly needed.

In other district news:

A five-year association between the district and attorney Steven Benvenuti may soon be dissolving. During a board meeting on Monday night, board member Tony Caston suggested either Benvenuti reduce his rates or the district explore the possibility of hiring an attorney whose fees may be less.

Benvenuti currently charges the district \$80 per hour, and has been instrumental in guiding the district through two pending lawsuits. The first is an eminent domain proceeding that is scheduled for a hearing on Monday.

Benvenuti, who has a private practice in Bay St. Louis, has also been the lead attorney for the district in its legal clash with the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission over claim to property adjacent to Hancock High School and Stennis International Airport. That case is currently being decided by the state Supreme Court.

The district paid Benvenuti over \$20,000 in legal services

last year.

"We would be remiss if we didn't look for ways to save taxpayers' money," Caston said. "There are attorneys around other districts who do it for substantially less money."

"I would like to see if (Benvenuti) would compromise."

Benvenuti countered that he thought the district "was getting a good deal" at \$80 an hour. He added that he was considering raising his fees on court time and litigation.

Benvenuti admitted he wished he would have had another attorney handle some of the litigation with the property dispute.

"You probably would have paid more than \$80 an hour," he said. "It's all business. I don't look at it as personal. There are other clients willing to pay me \$100 an hour, and there are only so many hours in a day."

The board agreed to retain Benvenuti for 90 days at \$80 an hour while searching for another board attorney. It is still conceivable Benvenuti would be retained after that period.

Cheryl Bennett was re-elected board president and Caston secretary.

Keeps officers

For the third straight year, Hancock County Supervisors re-elected District 5 Supervisor Philip Moran as president of the Board and District 3 Supervisor Lisa Coward, vice-president. Supervisors also reappointed Gerald Gex as the board attorney and Larry Seal, the county engineer.

Woman injured in bike accident

BY RICHARD MEEK

A Waveland woman was in in Charity Hospital in New Orleans after being struck by a car while riding her bicycle last Tuesday afternoon.

Jeanne Bell, 45, was riding her bicycle on Central Avenue on Waveland when she was struck by a car driven by Christopher Schneider, 18, of Bay St. Louis, Waveland Police Chief Jimmy Varnell said. Varnell said Schneider had apparently looked down at his radio, and when he looked back up, saw Bell and was unable to avoid striking her.

Bell was taken to Hancock Medical Center and later transferred to Charity. She suffered a

broken pelvis

Varnell said the accident left Bell's helmet in pieces.

"If not for the helmet, (Bell) would have been in a lot more serious condition," he said.

Varnell said no charges have been filed.

The Waveland Police Department, Waveland Fire Rescue and AMR responded to the incident. Patrolman Howard Parker and Lt. Kevin McIntosh investigated at the scene.

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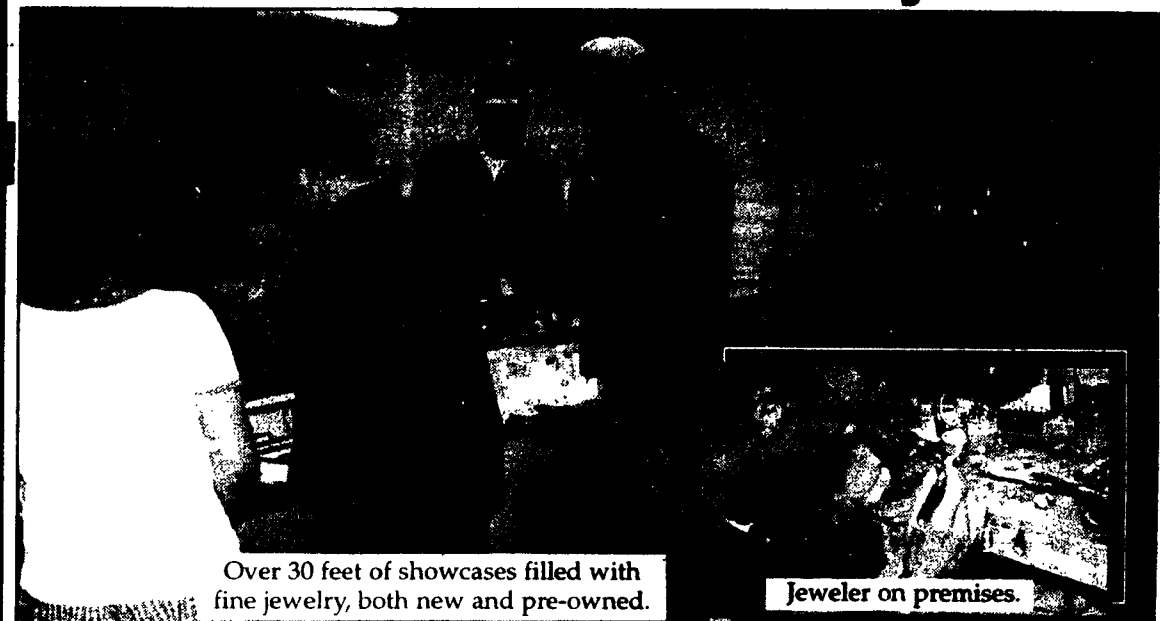
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"CUEVAS' QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

The Bay St. Louis Little Theater will hold its annual membership meeting Saturday, 7 pm. at the playhouse, 301 Boardman Avenue, Bay St. Louis.

The meeting is for members and prospective members for the Little Theater, which has been in operation for many years.

There are a number of new residents to the area, and some may be interested in joining a "fun-time" group.

The Bay theater will also have the election of officers for the coming year at Saturday's meeting.

I know several of the Little Theater folks, and they always welcome new members.

In case you are interested, the Little Theater is located in the Cedar Point area off Dunbar Avenue. There is a sign on Dunbar showing the direction to the theater.

For further information, contact Donna Mellott, 467-5901.

The Hancock County Livestock Arena is moving closer and closer to reality with the county receiving a \$155,000 grant from the Mississippi Agriculture Department. The Hancock County Board of Supervisors has set aside a matching sum of \$155,000 in the current budget.

The Navy Seabees have already begun site preparation for the livestock arena on 80 acres off the Kiln/DeLisle Road.

The grant will help in starting construction of the facility which should benefit the entire county.

More funding is necessary, and our supervisors are already working to secure more monies to complete the project.

I know there are a lot of folks who have put a lot of time and effort into an arena for Hancock County, and I am sure they are awaiting it becoming a reality.

Beginning tomorrow Girl Scouts will be out in the area taking orders for cookies.

This is an annual national fund-raising drive for Girl Scouts.

For each box of cookies sold by the Girl Scouts, a certain amount is retained by the local troops, a portion is used to pay for the cost of the cookies, and a small amount for awards for the cookie sales. The balance is for Direct Services for the girls and volunteers through camping, programs, trips, training/recognitions, wilderness opportunities throughout the nation, career-oriented events and many other activities.

Our Girls Scouts are part of the Gulf Pines Girl Scout Council, Inc., with headquarters in Hattiesburg.

There are many Girl Scouts in our area, and some of the annual activities take place at Buccaneer State Park.

So, be prepared to order your Girl Scout cookies in the days ahead. Remember, you are helping a very fine organization of young ladies, who will be our leaders of tomorrow.

And then the rains came, Monday Tuesday and Wednesday. How many more days is anyone's guess.

I cannot understand how lazy some folks appear to be.

A prime example is a couple of residents living on the 300 block of Carroll Avenue in Bay St. Louis.

They rake leaves and then leave them at the curb. With recent heavy rains, the leaves cause water to flood the avenue. If the leaves were not there, water could flow down the curb.

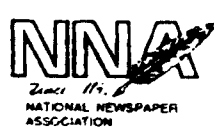
All they would have to do is place the leaves in a trash bag, and the garbage man would pick them up. That would only take a very few minutes, but I guess laziness is more important.

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Old issues dominate Legislative opening

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"I don't know of any major bones of contention, any real controversial issues," said Sen. Terry Burton, D-Newton.

But Burton adds, "we never expect any fireworks and always end up with some."

Campaign finance reform may get quick consideration in the Senate, said Judiciary Committee chairman Bennie Turner, D-West Point.

Now, candidates for statewide offices must only identify the source of donations of \$500 or more. A Senate bill would lower that to \$200 and put more restrictions on giving by out-of-state political action committees.

"There is certainly the perception of problems," Turner said. "When you look at the reporting threshold we're out of step with the overwhelming majority of other states."

Some statewide officials are leading the push for changes.

"I think a combination of the scandals in Washington that have shown the abuses in fundraising across the country, plus the fact that we will have a statewide race a year from now with an open governor's seat, makes the timing right," Secretary of State Eric Clark said.

Insurance Commissioner George Dale, who has complained about costly campaigns, said while he is optimistic something will be done, "I do not anticipate as many things being passed as need to."

The campaign finance changes are among quite a few issues awaiting lawmakers. Others include:

-Conforming state election law to the federal Motor Voter system designed make voter registration forms widely available. For three years the House Elections Committee has failed to act on the bill, but leaders say passage is likely this year.

-Speeding up executions. Mississippi has not executed anyone since 1989, and lawmakers have tried to address the situation. Gov. Kirk Fordice named a task force last year, which prepared proposals for lawmakers.

-Changing the system for youth court offenders. Some senators would like a unified youth court which would standardize prosecution statewide. Now, treatment of troubled youth varies by county.

The issue has dominated discussions in recent years but died for lack of funding.

Turner said sweeping changes are again unlikely because House members oppose the cost.

"I don't see that the necessary political strength and leadership is there to get anything done this session. I do think it will come, I just don't see it this year," Turner said. "I think it's a serious problem, it's a growing problem. Eventually it's going to demand attention."

Lawmakers also are expected to again consider authorizing more nursing home beds and fund the second year of a promised three-year teacher pay raise.

The Adequate Education Act, considered the top accom-

plishment of the 1997 session, could be reviewed amid concerns by Fordice, who vetoed the bill.

"We passed a convoluted piece of legislation, and it needs fixing. We didn't do it the right way," said Sen. Dick Hall, R-Madison, Appropriations Committee chairman.

The state budget is projected at \$3.1 billion.

"We have more money than we've ever had and seemingly more needs than we've ever had," he said. "Santa's list seems to get longer and longer. It's still the same old thing, the trick of making it balance."

The three-month session will be Fordice's sixth, and he goes into it with fewer requests.

No longer calling for sweeping tax reduction or specific lawsuit limits, he does want a restriction on state borrowing, a change to appointed instead of elected transportation commissioners and a new program for teaching children how to read.

He also endorsed things already being pursued by some lawmakers, including a constitutional amendment addressing victims' rights and creation of a statewide trauma care system.

Politically, more conflicts with lawmakers are possible for the Republican Fordice, who is not eligible to run for a third term and has angered legislators with an outside the capitol push for term limits, aimed solely at the Legislature.

Lt. Gov. Ronnie Musgrove is expected to continue his emergence as a gubernatorial candidate for 1999, and several senators, including Bill Hawks, R-Hernando, and Hall, eye his job. House Ways and Means Committee chairman Charlie Williams, R-Senatobia, is also planning a run for governor.

House Speaker Tim Ford, D-Tupelo, faces a decision about his political future, as well. He is serving his third term as speaker.

When the Mississippi Legislature convened Tuesday, more old issues than new ones were pending.

Campaign finance reform, the need for more nursing home beds and election law changes that have been repeatedly hashed over in recent years may be debated again—and possibly put to rest in the upcoming session.

Letters Welcome

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers on subjects of general interest. Letters must be signed and include address or phone number so that the sender can be contacted by the newspaper if necessary. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double spaced, and conform to standards of good taste. Only one letter per writer per month will be published. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters.

Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are considered inappropriate for the Letters to the Editor columns.

—Ellis C. Cuevas, publisher

THE PEOPLE'S BUSINESS

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A Weekly Editorial

From Mississippi Economic Council

County Government hitched to horse and buggy

When Mississippi's Constitution was written in 1890 mules pulled wagons over rural dirt roads. Many people had never traveled more than a few miles from where they were born. Ice houses were urban conveniences, and the telephone had been invented only four years earlier.

The state was slowly emerging from the ravages of the Civil War, and the state's Constitution reflected an effort to wrest control from the federally imposed government.

The Constitution's framers chose a county government system of five supervisors elected by districts. There were no options.

There still aren't. Cities have choices. Counties don't.

Mississippi has changed in 108 years. Today's counties are multi-million dollar enterprises and supervisors, who are part-time employees, oversee everything from hospitals, E-911 emergency systems and emergency services to the sheriff's budget.

And let's not forget that supervisors are road builders in counties that don't have a county unit system. Graveling roads get them elected.

But a growing number of urban-area supervisors would like to shed the "good ole boy" image that too many rural

county supervisors developed. And they want a system that meets modern needs.

"Things have changed," the president of an urban county board of supervisors told the Mississippi Economic Council. "I'm not a road builder. I'm an administrator who oversees a large budget with a variety of departments, and I have a tremendous responsibility not only to those living outside the city limits, but to those inside."

"The present system is antiquated, and voters should have the option of selecting other forms of government."

He's right. Cities do, but counties don't.

The constitutionally-mandated county government structure stands as a barrier to modernization and prevents any meaningful efforts at efficiencies.

It's time for the Legislature to address this need and authorize a constitutional amendment to be placed on the ballot that would allow citizens of a county to choose alternative forms of government, including the choice of merger or consolidation of governments and governmental functions.

The world is about to move into the next millennium, but Mississippi's system of county government remains hitched to yesteryear's horse and buggy.

Technicalities

By State Auditor Phil Bryant

GENERAL

Q Does a law enforcement officer have authority to make an arrest without a warrant based on probable cause that would lead the officer to believe a felony was committed?

A Yes. (Attorney General's opinion to Graham dated Nov. 14, 1997)

Q When must interest charges be added to delinquent ad valorem tax payments?

A When not received or post marked by Feb. 1 or the next working day if Feb. 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. (\$27-41-9 and \$25-1-107)

Q When must notice be published of tax sales maturing in April?

A At least 45 days prior to maturity. (\$27-43-3)

Q Must cellular telephone bills be itemized for payment to be made?

A The governing board may determine what will suffice as itemization as long as is is detailed for kind, quality and price.

In the case of telephone bills, this should include date, time, number called and the charge for each call. (Attorney General's opinion to Tally dated July 7, 1995)



Noto plaque

District 1 Supervisor Jeep Ladner (left) presents a plaque honoring the long years of service to Hancock County by former deputy Pete Noto, who served under five administrators and as hailiff at the Hancock County courthouse for 20 years. Daughters Shirely Corr, Gloria Cook, Ruth Herron were on hand, along with granddaughter, Sandra LaFontaine. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

IN AND AROUND DIAMONDHEAD

By Margaret Williamson

Didn't our three billboards look great this Christmas? As part of Project Lights, Christmas lighting in Diamondhead wants to thank Diamondhead Academy, our Girl and Boy Scouts (and their moms) and the Diamondhead Garden Club president Deborah De Long and her husband.

The decor in the landscaped bed in front of the Yacht Club, topped off by a great sign made by Gene Sullivan, was made possible by the Diamondhead Women's Club.

Marilyn Cuccia volunteered her time and expertise to make it a great display. The club will continue to help make this an annual event.

None of it would have been possible without the generous donations of individuals, social clubs and our business and professional folks.

And, how very much we ap-

preciate Jim Le Duc's cooperation and all the work Darrell Kinchen, Andy Wise and the others in our maintenance department did to put it all together. Much thanks to everyone!

MARDI GRAS AROUND THE CORNER

Diamondhead now has three Mardi Gras crews looking forward to their many merry-making events, parties and balls to celebrate this year's Mardi Gras on Tuesday, Feb. 24.

The Krewe of Diamondhead's parade is Saturday, Feb. 21 starting at noon with "Music, Maestro, Please" as their theme.

All entries are welcome. Six lucky people will be sharing the royalty honors for the next year.

Mr. and Mrs. William Clements are the king and queen of the Krewe of Diamondhead.

Mrs. Jesse (Pat) Morgan and Mickey Jordan are king and queen of the Diamondhead Boaters Association, and Mrs. Dusty (Ruth) Rhodes and Larry Dollar are king and queen of the Krewe of Selene, Diamondhead's newest organization.

We wish them all a wonderful reign.

A GREAT START TO A NEW YEAR

Despite a dismal and rainy morning, those attending the special gathering at St. Thomas Episcopal Church were rejoicing to hear in words and music another beautiful version of "The Greatest Story Ever Told."

Thanks so much to Mses. Trimble, Carswell and Saussey, Sue Stewart and the ladies of the church for presenting such a program.

WELL DONE

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COURT NEWS

Bay St. Louis Municipal Court

COURT DATE DEC. 17

Eakins, Valorie, bad checks, amended to misdemeanor bad check, fined \$646.

Benoit, Chevelle, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant.

Carter, Charles, running a stop sign, fined \$54.50.

Carter, Robert, contempt of court, dismissed.

Carver, Marsha, revocation of suspended sentence, dismissed.

Foretich, Anthony, speeding, seatbelt violation, driver license, none, expired, improper, failed to appear.

Gautraux, Keith, revocation of suspended sentence, dismissed.

Graham, Darrell, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant.

Grisham, Theresa, contempt of court, final judgment, failed to appear.

Haug, Douglas, contempt of court, failed to appear.

Haas, Kevin, improper load, amended to improper parking, fine suspended.

Huey, Dwight, bond jumping, time served.

Hunter, Don, revoke of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant.

Jones, Daniel, simple assault, dismissed; license tag expired, none, improper, fined \$78; improper equipment, fined \$46.50.

Kennedy, Clarence, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant.

Keppard, Cathy, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant.

Kitchens, Thomas, contempt of court, fined \$69.

Laneaux, Kendall, reckless driving-careless, passed to the files.

Lewis, Dawn, revocation of suspended sentence, dismissed.

Lewis, Rick, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant.

Luxich, Melvin, revocation of suspended sentence, dismissed.

Monroe, Anthony, open container, failed to appear.

Moon, William, reckless driving-careless, amended to improper equipment, fined \$34; no motorcycle endorsement, dismissed.

Rowell, Noel, revocation of suspended sentence, time served.

Saucier, Paul, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant.

Smith, Melvin, contempt of court, fined \$149.

Vaughn, Donner, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant.

Wilson, Michael, trespassing, not guilty; simple assault, fined \$149.

Alexander, Brain, speeding, failed to appear.

Aurard, Robert, speeding, fined \$64.50.

Battle, Michael, driver license, suspended, failed to appear.

Bermond, Raymond, driver license suspended for DUI, fined \$350.50; public drunk, fined \$146.

Bernhart, Raymond, improper equipment, driver license, suspended; failed to appear.

Bindoff, Ian, simple assault, fined \$500.

Blaize, Tracy, driver license suspended for DUI, fined \$350.50; improper equipment, fined \$46.50.

Blanton, Victor, seatbelt violation; license tag expired, none, improper, failed to appear.

Bradley, Tranmetris, disorderly conduct, judgement, failed to appear.

Copus, Guy, failure to dim lights; driver license, none, expired, improper, fined \$46.50.

Dedeaux, Kysha, driving without headlights, failed to appear.

Ellis, Joshuhai, improper lane usage, fined, \$54.50.

Fayard, Bethany, speeding, failed to appear.

Fox, Dale, license tag expired, none, improper, fined \$78.

Gobuzzi, Kim, improper equipment, dismissed.

Haggard, Deborah, speeding, fined \$64.50.

Herron, Harlon, reckless driving-careless, failed to appear.

Jewell, Stanley, seatbelt violation; running a stop sign; improper equipment, driver license suspended for DUI; license tag expired, none, improper; open container, false pretense, time served.

Johnston, Richard, license tag expired, none, improper, dismissed.

Ladner, Tracy, driver license suspended; expired tag; failed to appear.

Lanier, Pamela, shoplifting, 1st offense, affidavit withdrawn.

Lee, Terry, driver license suspended for DUI, fined \$350.50; reckless driving-careless, fined \$49.50.

Lewis, Patrick, reckless driving-careless, dismissed; driving under the influence, 1st offense, fined \$400.50.

Matherne, Louis, license tag expired, none, improper; running a stop sign, failed to appear.

McNeely, Daniel, speeding, failed to appear.

Meeks, Patricia, open container, fined \$99.

Mele, Joseph, improper equipment; seatbelt violation, dismissed.

Milligan, Virginia, license tag expired, none, improper; driver license, none, expired, improper; seatbelt violation, failed to appear.

Mitchell, Otis, reckless driving-careless, fined \$49.50.

Moody, Jeffery, driving without headlights, fined \$54.50.

Nguyen, Thuan, improper lane usage, fined \$64.50.

Mungesser, William, reckless driving-careless, failed to appear.

Parks, Thomas, license tag expired, none, improper, failed to appear.

Peterson, John, open container, failed to appear.

Potee, Earnest, improper equipment, dismissed.

Rogers, Rodney, license tag expired, none, improper, fined \$78.

Schwartz, Cameron, driver license, none, expired, improper; improper equipment, dismissed.

Seiley, John, speeding, fined \$64.50.

Smith, Melvin, improper equipment, dismissed; driver license, suspended, fined \$224.50; possession of paraphernalia, fined \$249.

Spafford, James, improper equipment, dismissed.

Thornstone, Melissa, license tag expired, none, improper, dismissed.

Trigg, Michael, public drunk, fined \$146.

Tudor, James, improper equipment, dismissed.

Vaughn, Panda, speeding; child restraint, dismissed.

Walker, Darin, running a stop sign; driver license, none, expired, improper, failed to appear.

Weinmann, Thomas, license tag expired, none, improper, failed to appear.

Welborn, John, speeding, failed to appear.

Welsh, Ronald, running a stop sign, fined \$54.50.

West, Pamela, speeding, fined \$59.50.

Whavers, Ricky, speeding, fined \$64.50.

Wilkinson, Charles, license tag expired, none, improper, failed to appear.

Winningham, Benny, driver license, suspended; improper equipment, failed to appear.

Murtagh unhurt

Hancock County Tax Assessor Eddie Murtagh escaped serious injury Monday after a two-car accident that sent two others to the hospital.

"I feel like Brett Favre on a Monday morning," said Murtagh. "But, I'm okay."

In Monday's rain, Murtagh pulled out onto U.S. Hwy. 90 from St. John Street when his car collided with an oncoming eastbound car.

Bay St. Louis police identified the other driver as Chiquita Acker of Pearlinton, and her 17-year-old brother. They were taken to Hancock Medical Center and released.

No charges were filed in the accident. Both vehicles were towed from the scene.

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Floyd Mayweather and Hector Arroyo square off

The remarkable Jeanne "Boom Boom" Martinez returns to action when she takes on undefeated Texan Tina Bryan Friday, Jan. 9 at the Biloxi Grand Theatre. The women's bout is scheduled for four rounds.

In the 10-round main event, 1996 USA Olympian Floyd Mayweather (12-0-0, 10 KO's) of Las Vegas will take on Hector Arroyo (16-4-2, 9 KO's) of Puerto Rico. This will be undefeated Mayweather's first main event. Mayweather will have his uncles Roger (a three-time world champion) and Jazzy Jeff (who once fought Oscar De La

Hoya) in his corner. Mayweather has been sharp in his last three bouts, stopping Luis Leija of San Antonio, Fleipe Garcia of Mexico, and Angelo Nunez of Sacramento.

Jeanne "Boom Boom" Martinez (1-1-0, 1 KO) is the former school girl superstar at Riverdale High in Kenner, where she was MVP of the varsity basketball and softball teams. She now lives in Slidell.

"I've always liked boxing as a kid, and while growing up my favorites were George Forman and Ray Mancini," Martinez said.

"I've worked hard in the gym,

lost a lot of weight, and have gotten myself into top fighting condition.

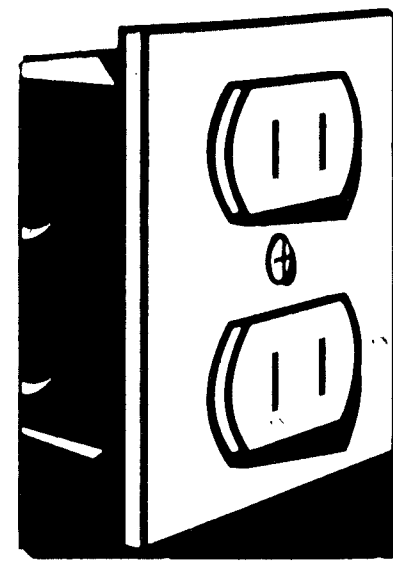
Once weighing 215 pounds, Martinez now boxes professionally at a 144-pound welterweight and will take on undefeated Texan prospect Tina Bryan (1-0). Bryan, living and fighting out of Sickersville, La., is also a Texas kick-boxing champion.

The Grand Casino Biloxi boxing card will also include highly regarded super middleweight Will McIntyre of New Orleans. McIntyre is a 9-1, 3 KO prospect who is scheduled to box in a six-

round bout with a yet-to-be-named opponent. Also appearing will be undefeated Billy Ray Gates (6-0, 6 KO's) from Mobile. His opponent is also yet to be named.

Tickets are now on sale at the Biloxi Grand Theatre Box Office (1/800-WIN-2-WIN) and at all TicketMaster outlets. Ticket prices are \$10/upper balcony, \$15/lower balcony, \$30/general floor, and \$45/ringside.

The doors will open at 7 p.m. The first bout is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m.



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Soccer roundup

Stanislaus blanks Picayune

SSC 7, Picayune 0
The St. Stanislaus Rockchaws shut out the Picayune Maroon Tide 7-0 Tuesday night in high school soccer action.

Justin Wadsworth scored twice and had two assists for the Rocks.

Edward Flores, Jonathan Gagnon, Mark Gagnon, A.J. Pace and Ronnie Vanney all scored as St. Stanislaus remained undefeated in district play at 9-0. The team is 12-2 overall.

Nick Benvenutti and Mark Gagnon had assists in the game. Neil Favre recorded the shutout in goal.

The Rocks are scheduled to play in Petal at 6 p.m. tonight.

OLA 8, Picayune 1
Our Lady Academy improved its record to 9-2 with a one-sided 8-1 victory over the Lady Tide Tuesday night in Picayune.

Kristin Cannon and Leslie Esher scored three goals each for the Lady Crescents. Missa Chapoton and Missy McPhail also scored for OLA. Picayune's goal came on a penalty kick.

The team is scheduled to play at Oak Grove Saturday at 1 p.m.

OLA 5, Pascagoula 0
Kristin Cannon scored three

times as the Our Lady Academy Crescents shut out the Lady Panthers in Pascagoula 5-0 last Saturday in high school soccer action.

Ashley Artigues and Julie Reboul rounded out the scoring for OLA. Lynn Dubuison earned the shutout in goal.

"Jill Rutherford, Missy McPhail, Emilie Scianna and Mikki Kenny gave a great defensive effort," coach Karen Hunt stated. "Emily Meyers and Leslie Esher passed and worked the ball while Ashley Christman and Julie Reboul pushed the ball up field."

So. Miss and Ole Miss finish in top 25

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Southern Mississippi and Ole Miss, which both won their postseason bowl games, were each ranked in the final Associated Press and USA Today/ESPN college football polls released Saturday.

The Golden Eagles (9-3) were ranked 19th in both of the major polls, marking the first time in school history that they were listed in a final poll. Prior to its 41-7 victory over Pittsburgh in the Liberty Bowl on New Year's Eve, Southern Miss was 22nd in both rankings.

Ole Miss (8-4) was not ranked in either poll at the end of the regular season. But

the Rebels finished 22nd in poll polls on the strength of their last-minute 34-31 victory over Marshall in the Motor City Bowl on Dec. 26.

It is the first time since 1992 that two Mississippi teams were ranked in the final AP poll.

In 1992, Ole Miss finished 16th and Mississippi State was 23rd. Before this season, that was the last ranking for Ole Miss.

The Rebels spent one week in the AP poll this regular season, at No. 25, after winning 36-21 at LSU to improve to 4-2. But they lost to Alabama at home the following week and fell out of the poll until

Saturday.

Southern Miss was in the AP poll for four weeks during this regular season, peaking at No. 22 before the final poll.

Mississippi State (7-4), which lost its last two games and was left out of the postseason, got votes toward both polls. The Bulldogs ranked 33rd in both polls, of 40 teams getting votes in the AP writers' poll and 41 teams in the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll.

The Bulldogs, who lost their chance for an Southeastern Conference Western Division title by losing to Arkansas and Ole Miss their last two games, were ranked for four weeks this season. They peaked at No. 15 after their 7-2 start.

Schools may be punished for fight

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Officials must decide whether to punish schools in the wake of a weekend high school basketball game that took on the flavor of a pay-per-view wrestling event.

Shelby Broad Street was hosting Mound Bayou's John F. Kennedy High School Saturday night when two players began fighting early in the fourth quarter.

That led to a brawl that included both players and fans who jumped off the gymnasium stage and joined in the melee. Fans were seated on the stage due to an overflow of spectators in the seating areas. At least one fighter used a folding metal chair.

Security guards and school officials struggled with the combatants for several minutes before clearing the floor.

Game official Eddie Johnson said that an incident report will be filed with the Mississippi High School Activities Association. The incident could result in sanctions against both schools.

Only minor injuries were reported and the game was delayed about 45 minutes. Shelby Broad Street eventually lost 68-55.

"I want to apologize for both teams," said JFK head coach Jimmy McKnight. "This is not the way it's suppose to be. I know it's a rivalry game, but this shouldn't have happened. We take responsibility for our players, but we can't control what the fans do. Someone could have been hurt out there."

McKnight said at the time

of the fight, one of his players "felt he was roughed up."

"Outside of that, there was just too much commotion to really see who did what," he said.

Broad Street coach Isaiah Peterson said the game officials should shoulder some of the blame for the fiasco.

"I told the officials before this game even started that this was a big rivalry. Personally, I don't think the officials did a very good job in controlling the tempo of the game. Everybody saw how physical this game was all night long.

Packers fans place calls from stadium for tickets

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Before they even left Lambeau Field after the Green Bay Packers victory over Tampa Bay, some fans placed calls on their cellular phones seeking to get to San Francisco for next weekend's game with the 49ers.

"We have people on cell phones calling us from the stadium," said Emilie Wroblewski of Packer Fan Tours, the

Something was bound to happen," Peterson said.

"I do know one thing, when this thing broke out, my players stayed on the bench and theirs (Kennedy's) did not. They ran out on to the floor and got in it."

Security officer Frederick Dawson said six fans were removed from the building. No arrests were made.

After the floor was cleared, Broad Street girls' coach Willie Washington pleaded with the crowd to settle down over the public address system for several minutes.

team's official travel agency.

The agency already had chartered a plane and arranged tickets for the National Football Conference championship game next Sunday.

Wroblewski watched all but the last few minutes of the victory on television before driving over to the travel agency to deal with the post-game euphoria.

Sea Wolves trade Mann

The Mississippi Sea Wolves have traded Troy Mann to Hampton Roads of the East Coast Hockey League. Mann has 14 goals, 11 assists and 25 penalty minutes in 37 games. In exchange the Sea Wolves will acquire left wing Mike Mayhew. Mayhew is 6'3" and weighs 220 pounds. Last season he

played in Mobile with a record of 16 goals, 22 assists and 215 penalty minutes in 55 games. He played one game with Kansas City of the International Hockey League.

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Legendary Motown vocalist Smokey Robinson to perform

William "Smokey" Robinson, one of the most prolific singer-songwriters of the late 1950s, 60s, and 70s, will be performing at the Biloxi Grand Theatre Jan. 29-30 at 7:30 p.m.

Robinson wrote and produced most of the Miracles' 27 Top 40 hits, including "Shop Around" and "Tears of a Clown." He also wrote memorable songs like "My Girl," "The Way You Do the Things You Do," "My Guy," and "Ain't That Peculiar" for other Motown artists.

Additionally, he won Grammy Awards for many of his songs including "You Really Got a Hold On Me," "I Second That Emotion," "Tracks of My Tears," and "Ooh Baby Baby."

Singing and writing songs since age 13, when he first teamed with a group of junior high school friends in Detroit to form the Miracles, Robinson and his group performed locally through their high school careers. It took meeting local record producer Berry Gordy that set the group on a professional music track.

The Miracles' second release for Gordy and his newly formed Tamala/Motown label, "Shop Around," (1960) was the first Tamala/Motown record to top the national charts. It was followed by another 38 Top 40 hits before Smokey quit the group in 1972. Robinson was inducted into the "Rock and Roll Hall of Fame" in 1987.

The 1991 release of his album, "Double Good Everything," on SBK Records marked the start of a new era for this Motown legend. In this album Smokey presents 10 new pop/soul gems that are perfectly contemporary.

"My songs are written about love," says Smokey, "and it's an everlasting subject... love always has significance, it never goes out of style."

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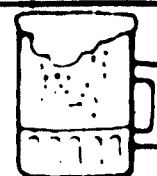
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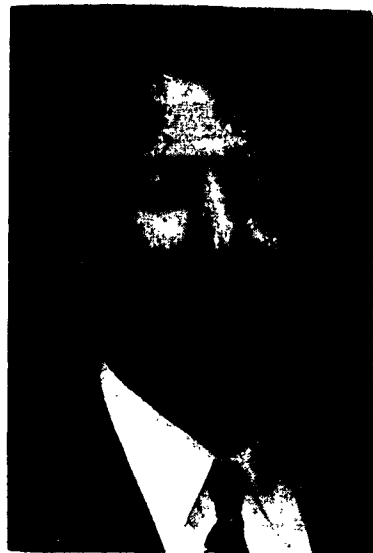
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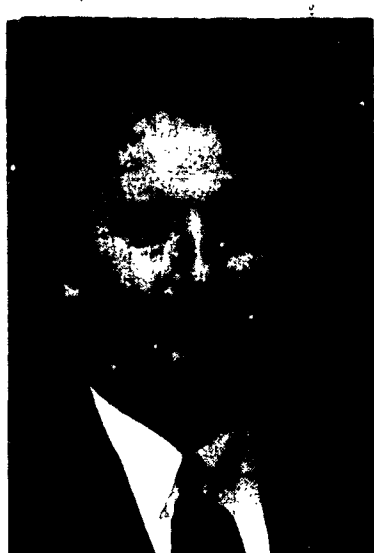
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BUSINESS NEWS

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Rhodes



Johnson

Rhodes, Johnson named Whitney Bank presidents

Charley E. "Dusty" Rhodes has been appointed to the position of City President for Hancock County and will be responsible for Whitney's banking in the county.

In making the announcement, William R. Allison, Chairman and CEO, said, "Dusty has worked with our bank for many years. He has a wealth of experience and knowledge of the Hancock County community. He will continue to be a valuable asset to us in this new management position."

Rhodes joined the former Merchants Bank and Trust Company, which became part of the Whitney Bank family this past October, in 1969 after earning a BS in business and finance from the University of Southern Mississippi. He also graduated from the School of Banking of the South at Louisiana State University.

A native of Bay St. Louis, Rhodes has been married for 28 years to the former Mimi Jeffery and they have three sons. Actively involved in the community, Rhodes serves on the boards for Hancock Medical Center, the Hancock Chamber of Commerce and the St. Stanislaus Progression Corporation.

Robert L. Johnson has been elected president of Whitney National Bank of Mississippi. In making the announcement, William R. Allison, Chairman and CEO, said, "We are fortunate to have a professional of Bobby's caliber join the Whit-

ney team. There are many growth opportunities for us in Mississippi, and under Bobby's leadership I'm confident that we will be successful."

Johnson joins Whitney with over 16½ years of bank experience with AmSouth, and \$18 billion bank holding company headquartered in Birmingham. He began his career with AmSouth as a branch manager trainee and held many retail and sales management positions in the corporation. Most recently, he was the area consumer and business banking sales manager for AmSouth's West Coast Florida area.

A native of Greenville, Ala., Johnson holds a BS from the University of Alabama and an MBA from Samford University in Birmingham. He is also a graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking. He is married and has one child.

Whitney Holding Corporation, whose stock is traded on the NASDAQ exchange (WTNY), is the holding company for wholly owned banking subsidiaries in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida. The Whitney now operated over 100 banking locations in this four state Gulf Coast region including southern Louisiana; the coastal region of Mississippi; Mobile, Montgomery and the Alabama Gulf Coast region; and the Pensacola area of Florida. The Whitney, which has been in continuous operation since 1883, currently has assets of approximately \$4.2 billion.

Consumers can expect lower telephone rates

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BellSouth will increase rates for directory assistance and collect calls but customers across the state should see a decrease in their telephone rates, company officials say.

The cost of local directory assistance calls will climb a nickel, from 35 cents to 40 cents. There will also be slight increases for busy-line verifications and busy-line interrupts, as well as, operator assisted calls.

"These changes are necessary as we build out our infrastructure to meet the increasing costs of providing customer service and enhancing our phone network," said J. Kelly Allgood, president of BellSouth Mississippi.

Most Mississippians' telephone bills will go down 85 cents to \$1.20 a month this year, BellSouth officials said.

Under a new plan announced Wednesday, touch tone charges will be eliminated for residential customers, as will fees used to defray the cost of providing telephone service to rural areas.

"If you're not a big bells-

and-whistles user, you ought to see a decrease," said Randy Tew, communications specialist with the Mississippi Public Utilities staff.

In addition, subscriber line charges for residences will be reduced from 50 cents a month to 40 cents a month. It's the first step in what is expected to be a complete phaseout of the charge as telephone service competition increases.

BellSouth officials said subscriber line fees were instituted in the 1980s after the breakup of AT&T as a means of covering costs of wires and related facilities necessary to connect to local telephone networks. The cost had previously been absorbed through long distance fees.

The latest reductions are the result of a new pricing plan ordered by the Mississippi Public Service Commission in 1995. The plan will reduce aggregate BellSouth rates \$33.6 million by 2002, officials said.

Tupelo area BellSouth customers who pay bills in cash will also face a 25-cent charge per payment beginning this month.

Taxpayer workshop

A seminar titled "1997 Taxpayer Relief Act" will be presented Monday, Jan. 26 from 8:30-11 a.m. at the Gulf Coast Business Technology Center at 1636 Poppo's Ferry Road in Biloxi.

Registration and continental breakfast will be from 8:30-9 a.m. The seminar presentation will be from 9-11 a.m. Gregory L. Nordstrom of Nordstrom and Associates will be the

presenter.

The fee is \$5 pre-registration by Thursday, Jan. 22 or \$10 after the registration deadline. Payments should be made at and checks payable to the Gulf Coast Business Technology Center, 1636 Poppo's Ferry Road, Biloxi, MS 39532.

For information, call 392-9742 Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Coast tourism impact approaching \$3 billion

Officials with the Harrison County Tourism Commission unveiled the results of a 1996 Visitor Profile Study in a press conference this week, at the Mississippi Coast Convention Center to a standing-room only crowd of community leaders and members of the tourism industry.

"We are thrilled to now know that the Mississippi Gulf Coast tourism industry is nearly a \$3 billion industry generating almost 20 million person visits annually," said Stephen B. Richer, executive director of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Convention & Visitors Bureau. "We are equally as pleased to learn that our visitors divide their expenditures in a way that gaming is a significant, but small, portion of their experience."

"The best news is, however, that our continued growth is as-

sured because the Mississippi Gulf Coast product exceeds national performance standards for excitement, climate, safety, beauty and affordability," Richer continued.

The study was conducted by Longwoods International, a leading travel and tourism research and marketing company based in Toronto, Canada. The study was based on a national panel of 200,000 households who are surveyed quarterly as part of the *Travel USA Monitor*, which measures travel habits and visitor expenditures.

Longwoods clients are based from Mexico to Maui, from New Orleans to Alaska and include other gaming destinations such as the state of New Jersey, Louisiana, and the cities of Atlantic City and Reno/Lake Tahoe.

Imperial Palace will cut into profits at existing casinos

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Imperial Palace's debut on the Mississippi Gulf Coast will cut into the business of the 11 other local casinos, industry officials say.

The casino resort will include a high-rise hotel, movie theaters, a 700-seat showroom and other amenities. The casino temporarily opened its doors on Tuesday.

"It's going to water down the market," said John Ferrucci, general manager of

the nearby New Palace Casino.

"Most properties are probably calculating a 5 percent decrease in business," said Bruce Nourse, vice president of governmental relations for Casino Magic.

However, Ferrucci does believe the new casino "certainly will bring more people to the Coast. Any new business is good business."

Imperial Palace owner Ralph Engelstad hopes his 1,100-room hotel will usher in a new market of package air tours to the coast.

Engelstad said he plans to fill about 40 percent of his rooms with vacation packages, or travel and tourism business. Another 40 percent will be filled with independent travelers and the remaining 20 percent will go to casino customers and conventioners.

"We've been looking for increased capacity to attract the wholesalers," said Steve Richer, executive director of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Convention & Visitors Bureau. There are about 10,000 hotel and motel rooms on the Coast, Richer said. "He (Engelstad) alone will increase the capacity 10 percent."

The transformation will be greatly accelerated with the planned opening late next year of Mirage Resorts' \$600 million Beau Rivage hotel-casino.

The Imperial Palace hotel, as is the case with Engelstad's Las Vegas Strip property, will be targeted to budget travelers. And the 70,000-square-foot casino, equipped with 63 gambling tables and 1,613 slot machines, will not cater to premium gamblers.

"We go after middle-America," Engelstad said.

Construction workshop scheduled

Bay St. Louis Building Official Bill Carragee will present a construction workshop at the Bay St. Louis Depot Jan. 22, 6:30 p.m., preceded by refreshments beginning at 6 p.m.

The workshop is offered free of charge to contractors in all building disciplines, suppliers and the general public.

The agenda includes an explanation of the State Contractors Law; 1997 changes in all model standard codes and recurring problems found on routine inspections.

"Bay St. Louis wants its contractors and the public to be informed about industry, state and national code changes that may affect their future building plans."

The workshop presents the best opportunity for getting important information to the public," said Mayor Eddie Favre.

Please notify the Permit Office, 228-467-3081 if you plant to attend.

Halter acquires deck company

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Halter Marine Group Inc. has acquired a Gulfport-based company that designs and manufactures an extensive line of marine deck equipment, officials say.

McElroy Machine & Manufacturing, a subsidiary of New Jersey-based Predco Inc., makes equipment for commercial, fishing, government and military vessels.

"We are thoroughly familiar with the high quality products and services of McElroy because Halter is one of McElroy's longtime, satisfied customers," said John Dane III, president and CEO of Halter Marine.

McElroy's operations will be integrated into Halter's new Engineered Products Group, Dane announced Thursday.

Gulfport-based Halter Marine owns 20 shipyards in Texas, Louisiana, Florida and Mississippi. The company specializes in the design, construction, conversion and repair of commercial, government, and military vessels.

The terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
RICHARD P. HAGEN, PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF OPHELIA PASSALA-QUA HAGEN, deceased, DEFENDANTS

NO. 87-1000
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
To The Unknown Heirs at Law of OPHELIA PASSALA-QUA HAGEN, deceased.
You have been made a Defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Richard P. Hagen, Plaintiff, seeking Judgment Establishing Heirs at Law.
YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THIS COMPLAINT OR PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:30 O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 9th DAY OF FEB., 1998, IN THE COURTROOM OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY COURT-HOUSE AT BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER THINGS DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION.
YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANSWER OR OTHER PLEADING, BUT YOU MAY DO SO IF YOU DESIRE.
Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 31st day of December, 1997.
(SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
CHANCERY CLERK
OF HANCOCK COUNTY,
MISSISSIPPI
BY: LARPINELL, SCARBOROUGH, D.C.
DATED: 12-31-97

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
JOEL HOUGH, JR., DECEASED
LOUIS VICTOR GIBSON, EXECUTOR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

CAUSE NO. 87-0623
Notice is hereby given that LETTERS TESTAMENTARY on the estate of MARSHALL JOEL HOUGH, JR., deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 8th day of December, 1997, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar the claim.
THIS the 8th day of December, 1997.

JOEL VICTOR GIBSON
Att'd R. Koennert
Meadows, Riley, Koennert & Teal
P.O. Box 550
Gulfport, MS 39502
(601) 864-4511
State Bar Number 4237

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Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
A. ELMER, IS PLAINTIFF
VS.
DR. B. BOWEN BRACH, MRS. B. BOWEN BRACH,
AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS,
DEFENDANTS

PUBLICATIONS SUMMONS
CAUSE NO. 88888
TO: (a) Dr. B. Bowen Brach, if alive, who is believed to be non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known address, both post office and street address, is 4416 St. Peter Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70119, after diligent search and inquiry, and if he be dead, his unknown heirs at law or devisees, whose names, last known addresses, both post office and street addresses, are unknown. After diligent search and inquiry; (b) Mrs. B. Bowen Brach, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi, whose last known address, both post office and street address, is 4416 St. Peter Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70119, after diligent search and inquiry, and if she be dead, her unknown heirs at law or devisees, whose names, last known addresses, both post office and street addresses, are unknown. After diligent search and inquiry; (c) Any and all other persons having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in and to the hereinafter described land.

Lot 33, Block 6, Jourdan River Shores, Phase 2, as per the official plat thereof on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Plat Book 3 at page 64.

You have been made defendants in the lawsuit filed in the Court by A. Elmer, II, plaintiff,

YOUTH

THE SEA COAST ECHO—THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1998-13



SSC Students of the Month

St. Stanislaus November Students of the Month are, top row from left, sophomore Brandon Lewis, junior Chris Fine, freshman Patrick Clark, and sixth grader Louis West; bottom row, eighth grader Drew Cranford, seventh grader Chase Garcia, and senior Olan Suthivej.

Coast youth concerts set in January

The Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra will present four concerts for the youth of the Gulf Coast area Thursday, Jan. 29 and Friday, Jan. 30 at the Saenger Theatre for the Performing Arts in Biloxi at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. each each.

Each performance is approximately one hour. Because of the response to earlier announcements, there are only 53 openings for the 9 a.m. concert Jan. 30. All other concerts are filled.

This is a change in times and number of days from previous years and was made to accommodate as many students as possible and to make logistics easier. These performances are for students in grades one through eight.

Principals and music directors of Gulf Coast schools are encouraged to contact Harneitha Hazey, 104 East Azalea Dr., Long Beach, MS 39560,

phone 863-3913 at the earliest possible date to make reservations for the number of students and escorts who plan to attend.

Fee is \$1 per student, however, no student will be denied entrance due to lack of funds. Adult escorts, teachers and drivers will be admitted at no charge. Seating will be on a first-come basis, except that there will be a reserved section for the handicapped.

Sally Mae's online scholarship service helps students find funds for college

Students and their families seeking relief from costly tuition expenses now have a new option to help search for college money: Sallie Mae's free Online Scholarship Service, available through www.salliemae.com.

In partnership with ED-TECH, INC., Sallie Mae recently introduced the Online Scholarship Service which gives individuals exclusive access to the College Aid Sources for Higher Education (CASHE) financial aid resource.

Used by students, parents, and high school guidance counselors for more than 18 years, CASHE is one of the largest, most recognized private financial aid resources available.

The CASHE database contains information about all types of funding sources, including scholarships, fellowships, grants and work-study programs.

The CASHE Student Profile Form contains the greatest number of selection criteria of any scholarship service available online," said Jane Trevisan, vice president, marketing and sales, Sallie Mae.

"This online service provides information on college funding that is not only comprehensive, but regularly updated by ED-TECH. I am certain many individuals will find it an invaluable feature of our Web site."

To access the scholarship service, individuals log on to www.salliemae.com and choose

the Online Scholarship Search option. After a short introduction, users will be prompted to complete an online version of the CASHE Student Profile Form, which contains questions about academics, family background, career interests, extracurricular activities, work experience, college plans, and their parents' activities.

Once the form is completed and submitted, students' qualities are immediately compared with available financial aid options. Within 24 hours, search results will be processed and electronically transmitted to students.

Individuals will receive information on awards for which they are eligible, enabling them to apply for those opportunities for which they qualify. This feature alone saves time for both the student and the organization offering the award.

In addition to the Online Scholarship Service, Sallie Mae's award-winning Web site includes Financial Aid (101), a multi-media tutorial on paying for college; seven interactive calculators that help estimate everything from Expected Family Contribution to cost of tuition; a glossary of key financial aid terms; a list of banks and credit unions offering low-cost student loans; on-line account access; downloadable software and more.

For information about Sallie Mae's Online Scholarship Service, log on to

www.salliemae.com. Questions about the CASHE data base should be directed to 1-800-462-2743.

To speak with a financial aid expert about various college financing issues, call the College Answer hotline at 1-800-891-4599

Public Notice

LEGAL NOTICE

I, Matthew B. A. Matulich, intend to make application for an On-premises retailer permit as provided for by the Local Option Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws Section 67-1-1 et seq., of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. If granted such permit, I propose to operate as a sole owner under the tradename of The Blue Parrot Restaurant located at 200 South Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS of Hancock County.

The name(s), title(s), and address(es) of the owner(s)/partners/corporate officer(s) and/or majority stockholder(s) of the above named business are Matthew Bruce Alan Matulich, Proprietor, 115 Washington St., Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

This the 6th day of Jan., 1998.

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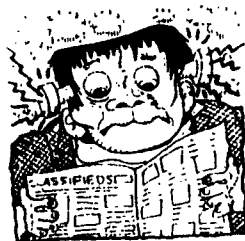
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sion, asked, "What happens now? The agenda has been sent out. We were supposed to meet Thursday."

Jones and the mayor replied there was no reason to meet Thursday.

"In the eyes of the state, this board does not exist," said McDonald.

McDonald later gave the

Echo a review of events that transpired that led up to the formation of the Port and Harbor Commission.

He explained in May of 1986, then-Mayor Jake Erwin formed the Pass Christian Harbor Advisory Committee, "strictly as an advisory committee to the mayor and Board of Aldermen." The committee was composed of

two commercial fishermen, two who represented pleasure boaters, and three other members from various walks of life.

That committee operated until March 20, 1990, when then-Mayor Ted Lawyer and the Board of Aldermen passed an ordinance creating a seven-member Port and Harbor Commission. The seven serve stag-

gering terms, and have been recommending policy and guiding improvements at the Municipal Harbor for the last seven years.

Bode spoke in defense of Lawyer, and said, "I don't think he was trying to do anything against the law."

Alderman Margaret Jean Kalif also came to the defense of the present Commission, noting they had worked tirelessly to improve port conditions. She thanked the Commission for their input over the years.

McDonald told Aldermen he will study the situation before making recommendations, although he seemed to be leaning toward formation of a committee rather than seeking legislation to create a Commission.

He said the committee under the Erwin administration was "a board of recommendation, not a policy-making board."

In the meantime, McDonald said his administration will take over daily business at the harbor. J.J. LaSalle serves as harbor master at the mayor and Board's request, and will remain in that position. Any action affecting the harbor would still require a recommendation by the mayor and approval by aldermen, he said.

"I want to take a long, hard look at this thing," McDonald later told the Echo.

The mayor said he wanted to get input from fishermen, wholesalers, pleasure boaters, and everyone involved with the harbor.

"It might take three or four months," said McDonald.

The turmoil comes at a time when Pass Christian is embarked on major improvements

at the harbor, financed by state Tidelands funds.

Already, some \$425,000 has been spent shoring up pilings, upgrading water and electrical systems, lighting, paving parking lots and constructing a new harbor master's building. And, just last week, Pass Christian

received another \$300,000 in Tidelands funds, which are earmarked to begin shoring up the eastern wall and roadway at the harbor.

"We'll still steer the course (on improvements)," McDonald said. "This will not slow things down."

Contract

"These boys from Lakeshore, Kiln, Bay St. Louis, Waveland and the county are all good people," May said. "They are all hard-working people and proud of their product."

"I would put these 400 workers up against any other 800 workers around the county."

May said the project will not add any new jobs, but will help maintain stability for the 400 jobs at the Port Bienville site. The barge construction is ex-

pected to take 75,000 man-hours, he said.

"You always love to have the government as your partner in business," he said. "We are very familiar with (NASA projects)."

"Once NASA found out Gulf Coast Fabrication was going to be (the Halter Marine) construction site, they were excited," he added. "We are noted for high quality work. It's a credit to Gulf Coast Fabrication

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and all of the workers."

The all-steel barge will be 260 feet in length, with a 50-foot beam and a 15-foot depth. The barge will consist of a hull, crew accommodations for four, generators, and other associated equipment required for service.

Gulf Coast Fabrication recently completed an extensive overhaul of another NASA barge utilized for fuel tank transportation.

Sheriff

"The burglaries had people alarmed," Peterson said. "But I think we solved this."

"Since the arrests (of the four suspects), the burglaries have dwindled to hardly anything."

Peterson admitted drugs are an increasing problem, but said Pearlinton is no worse than any other part of the county. In Pearlinton, he said, the problem is confined to Seventh Street, where it believed drug dealers are operating off of street corners.

Peterson said the scenario is similar to the drug dealing activity that once plagued Bay St. Louis at the corner of St. Francis and Sycamore streets.

The sheriff said he hopes better deployment of the county's Narcotics Task Force will help curtail the activity. Peterson was a strong vocal proponent last year of disbanding the NTF, which is comprised of officers from all three county law enforcement agencies. At the time, Peterson said too much of the agency's focus was in the cities of Waveland and Bay St. Louis and not enough in the outlying county areas, such as Pearlinton.

Recently, however, Shane Corr was named the NTF's full-time director to replace Waveland Police Chief Jimmy Varnell, who was attempting to juggle his responsibilities to Waveland and provide guidance to the NTF. Varnell is one of the NTF's original members.

"I was not satisfied with the way the NTF was operating," Peterson said. "One of the stipulations (in the sheriff's agreement to continue in the NTF) is that they target Kiln, Pearlinton, Dedeaux, Standard and all of the other areas of the county."

"People will begin to see better results and we feel like we will curtail the drug activity in the future. People don't understand that we have certain procedures we have to follow to apprehend someone. You must have probable cause."

Peterson admitted that Pearlinton's proximity to the Louisiana state line, which is only a few miles away, poses a unique obstacle. He said his office and the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office work well together, but a communication problem does exist because officers from the agencies are not in radio contact.

"It's difficult when you're talking about two different states and we don't have radio contact," Peterson said.

He said citizens would like to have a full-time deputy station in Pearlinton 24 hours a day, but a lack of resources makes that cost prohibitive. Additionally, Peterson said once the drug activity is corralled, burglaries will also decrease since the two are part-and-parcel of

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each other.

The sheriff said of the 135 inmates currently housed in the Hancock County Justice Facility, 80 percent are there on drug-related charges.

Peterson said he will answer any questions citizens may have tonight, but insisted his office and the residents must work together if they are to be successful in making Pearlinton streets safer.

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Family

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that, but her group was determined not to allow a proliferation of trailers on Chapman, which is the only entrance into the Garden Isles Subdivision. Property owners vowed to go all the way to Circuit Court if a special exception is allowed after another public hearing.

The Perez family told supervisors they were in a quandary. They purchased four lots on Chapman between Ann and Beverly streets in July of 1996 when no zoning was in effect and were told trailers would be allowed.

Mrs. Perez said she wanted to live next door to her mother, whose trailer sits at the corner of Chapman and Beverly. She said after getting the special exception, the family put a double-wide trailer on the lot, sunk a well and tied into city sewerage.

"It looks like a house. We're not trying to turn it (the area) into a mobile home subdivision," said Mrs. Perez. She said the family lost "almost everything" in the recent fire that destroyed portions of a mini-storage facility in Waveland, but managed to move into the new double-wide trailer Nov. 11, five days after the Planning Commission ruling.

Neil Smith, the county's zoning enforcement officer, was called into the discussion and said he warned the family that they might have to remove the trailer if citizens were successful in their appeal to supervisors or to Circuit Court.

Smith said he toured the area prior to the Planning Commission's public hearing and noted that trailer homes were located all over Chapman from the entrance on Longfellow Drive almost to the Garden Isles Subdivision.

Gez ruled there were two errors in the application. He said

the original application listed one address where the trailer would go, but it went on another lot. The Perez family also petitioned to put a regular size trailer on the lot, but after the public hearing was granted permission to put the double-wide trailer on the site.

Referring to the family's dilemma, District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour said, "This is a bad thing." He seconded District 2 Supervisor Rocky Pullman's motion to deny the application and remand it back to the Planning Commission. The motion passed 5-0.

A new public hearing will have to be advertised and scheduled before the Planning Commission, and the Perez family will be stuck in limbo pending further appeals if their special exception is again approved.

Supervisors were scheduled to conduct another public hearing on citizens' appeal of a Planning Commission decision that approved the location of a 200-foot communications tower near a residential neighborhood on Paradise Lane.

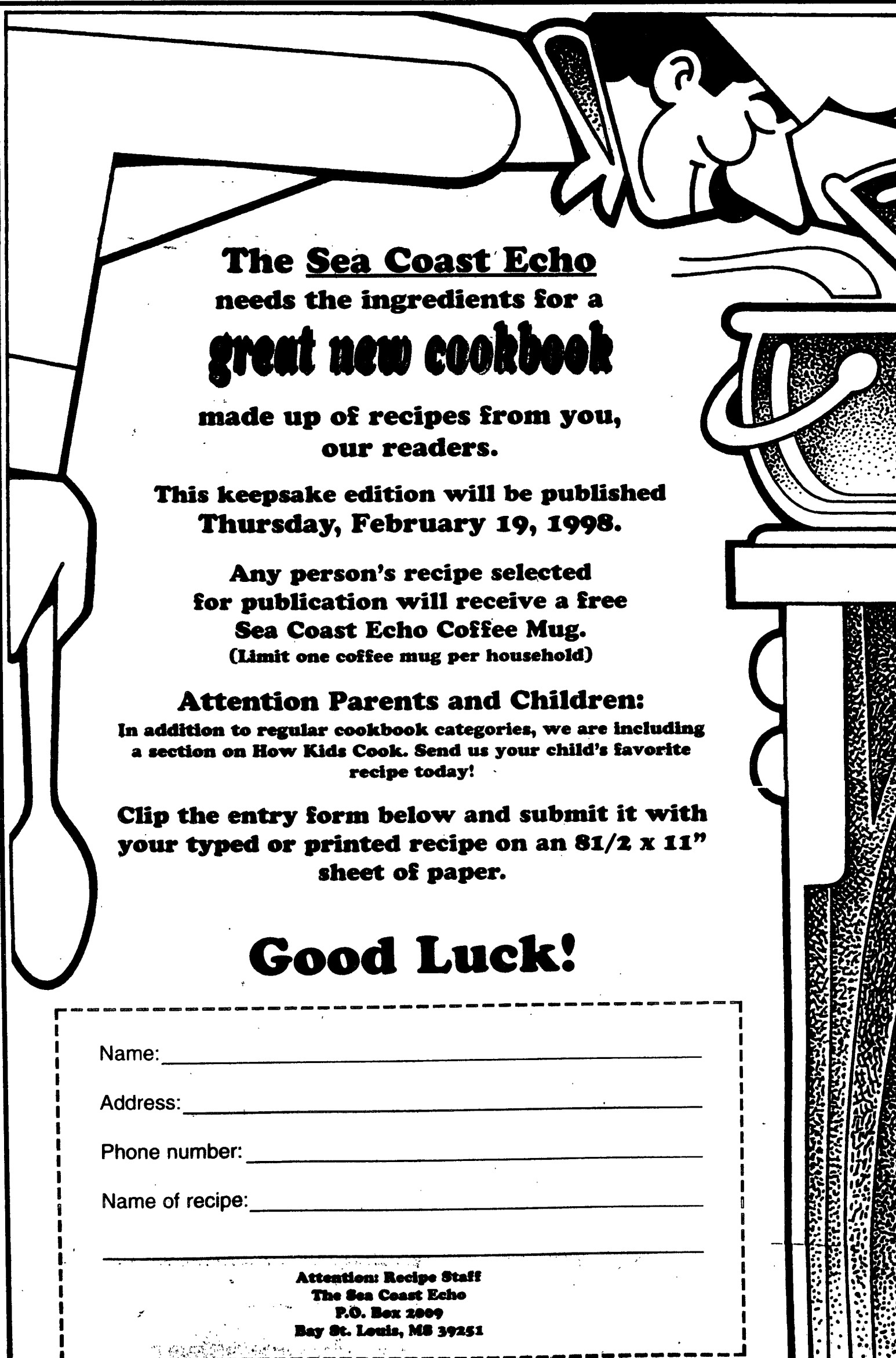
However, at the request of the builder, DiGiPh Communications of Mobile, supervisors tabled the matter in order to give all sides times to reach a compromise on the tower's location.

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